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## YEARLY RECORD.

TOTAL NO. OF WORLDS PRINTED DURING 1899:

104,473,650.

AVERAGE PER DAY FOR ENTIRE YEAR:

285,447.

SEVEN YEARS COMPARED:

THE WORLD came under the Present Proprietorship May 10, 1893.

Year.	Yearly Total.	Daily Ave.
1893.....	8,151,157	22,331
1894.....	12,235,228	33,541
1895.....	29,519,785	77,992
1896.....	51,341,307	140,387
1897.....	70,190,041	192,196
1898.....	83,359,928	228,465
1899.....	104,473,650	285,447

## Sunday WORLD'S Record:

Averaging Over 230,000 Copies Each Sunday Since 1893.

The average Circulation of The Sunday WORLD during 1899 was.....

14,727

The average Circulation of The Sunday WORLD during 1898 was.....

24,054

The average Circulation of The Sunday WORLD during 1897 was.....

79,985

The average Circulation of The Sunday WORLD during 1896 was.....

166,636

The average Circulation of The Sunday WORLD during 1895 was.....

234,724

The average Circulation of The Sunday WORLD during 1894 was.....

257,267

The average Circulation of The Sunday WORLD during 1893 was.....

260,326

Amount of White Paper Used During the Six Years Ending Dec. 31, 1898:

Year.	Pounds.	Year.	Pounds.
1893.....	1,423,288	1898.....	12,900,829
1894.....	4,408,455	1899.....	16,057,692
1895.....	8,229,991	1896.....	17,134,407

CIRCULATION BOOKS OPEN TO ALL.

## HAVE YOU GOT ANY "SAND"?

We increase our liberal offer to the Evening Sun as follows:

THE EVENING WORLD hereby agrees to pay

\$25,000 in cash to the Press Club's charity

fund if, upon thorough examination, its bona

fide circulation is not found to be every day

in the week at least 35 per cent. larger than

that of the Evening Sun—three prominent ad

vertisers to be the judges.

Certainly our blinking little contemporary

cannot complain. The percentage was first

placed at 25 per cent. But the ten days

passed without any acceptance.

Then it was offered to show that THE EVEN

ING WORLD'S circulation was 30 per cent.

greater than that of the Evening Sun.

Still it kept up its claim that "the circula

tion of the Evening Sun is larger than that of

any other evening paper in the United States."

But the constitutional ten days' grace

slipped by without any movement to accept

THE EVENING WORLD'S challenge.

We'll give the Evening Sun ten more days

on the 35 per cent. basis.

Then we'll stop wasting space on a sheet

that has so much assurance and so little

sand!

## MR. DUFFY'S STAIRS.

Assemblyman DUFFY, of this city, has in

troduced a bill in the Assembly requiring the

Elevated road to erect more stairways at their

stations, so that there may be "entrance" and

"exit" stairs.

What, were stairways leading to the L

stations? That's rich. Why, the confusion

that now arises by reason of the arrangement

of the "downtown" and "uptown" sides

of the streets where the stations are located

is exasperating enough, but with Mr. Duffy's

system of entrances and exits the insane

stairways would be filled with people going

stark mad in their efforts to get to or away

from the Elevated road.

If there is any way whereby the law-makers

at Albany can compel the Elevated road to

spend more of their money in giving the

patrons of that road better facilities for rapid

transit and greater comforts while en route

over the line, THE EVENING WORLD will

heartily approve such measures. But, in the

name of common sense and in the interest of

a long-suffering people, don't make matters

worse than they are.

Mr. DUFFY, please get off those stairs!

## THE CRIME OF POVERTY.

The story of the arrest of JAMES SILLMAN in

Connecticut for simply asking a cup of coffee

wherever to sustain him while he prosecuted

his search for work is a terrible expose of the

vigorous laws enforced against the unfor

tunate poor in the "Nutmeg" State.

Out of work, poor, with a family depend

ent upon him, this honest workman from

New Jersey seeks work in Connecticut, and

because he is, through poverty, compelled to

solicit food, he is cruelly confined in a felon's

cell and compelled to undergo punishment

only deserved by hardened criminals. Escap

ing from his prison and returning to his loved

ones in New Jersey, he is followed by the

leuth-bounds of Connecticut barbarity and

torn from the arms of his wife and dragged

back to serve the remainder of a thirty days'

sentence.

What crime has he committed? None.

Has not a poor man the privilege of seeking

employment in Connecticut?

Rigorous anti-tramp laws may be necessary,

but there should be more discretion and com

mon sense in enforcing them.

Gov. GREEN, of New Jersey, of which State

SILLMAN is a citizen, should find some ground

forthwith for demanding the release of this

unfortunate Jerseyman.

## THE GREAT REPUBLICAN.

Those abnormally hungry patriots of Re

publican proclivities who expected an unlim

ited feed at the feast of good things to be

spread by President HARTSON, are beginning

to inquire anxiously if the bill of fare contains

nothing but Soup.

## MUNDANE MATTERS.

In the race for the Philadelphia Postmas

ter-ship there are several "favorites" among

the politicians, but it looks as though the

field would win—that is, John Field. The Post

master-General proposes to send the other fellows

to GRAVE.

Secretary Blaine, upon assuming the por

folio of the State Department, found Cleveland's

picture hanging above his desk, and replaced it

with one of Daniel Webster. Webster was one

of those great men who never could be Presi

dent. His face is naturally more pleasing to Mr.

Blaine than one who got there.

A rural legislator has introduced a bill in the

Missouri Legislature prohibiting Sunday base

ball playing. He was probably moved thereto

by reading of the players "stealing bases" and

"making foul hits."

And now some capitalists are combining to

gather in all the dried apples in the country.

Well, when they get them all in we hope they

will water the stock as capitalists generally do,

in which event the dried-apple corner would

swell up and burst.

Congressman Flower gave the Parnell Parli

amentary Fund Committee a check for \$200 at

the meeting of the Committee last night. In the

eyes of the Committee that Flower is a daisy.

## COQUELIN'S FAREWELL ENGAGEMENT.

"Le Mariage de Figaro" is, perhaps, the very

last French play that an American audience can

understand and appreciate, and exactly why

Coquelin presented it at the Star Theatre last

night is not clear. Of course there are always

people who the less they understand of a play

the more they profess to enjoy it. The one or

two points they can grasp stand out so promi

nently in the thousand points they can't grasp

that they consider them beautiful. Dozens of

people last night cackled at little passages in

"Le Mariage de Figaro" which in English they

have considered unworthy of a smile.

M. Beaumarchais's five-act comedy is a stand

ard work that can be advantageously studied.

It is full of wit and satire, and a Frenchman

is extremely effective, but that as to the

American are extremely flat and uninteresting.

And there are many ardent Parisian theatre

goers whom you couldn't lure to sit through

"Le Mariage de Figaro." Its utility as far as

the stage is concerned is impaired. It is to be

read rather than to be acted.

The play is episodic. Its object is to show up

the intrigues in which women, according to

French writers, love to figure. There are just

ouais and rivalries innumerable, and some of

them are by no means amusing.

Coquelin, however, as Figaro could have held

his audience fascinated longer even than he did.

The superb methods of this wonderful actor,

with all their exquisite delicacy and depth, were

as apparent as ever in this unpleasantly frivo

lous comedy.

Mlle. Barely made a very charming Suzanne,

and Mlle. Kerwin an interesting Cherubin.

Mlle. Lemercier as the Countess was wonder

fully awkward for a member of a French com

pany. Duquesne made an amusing Almaviva,

and Jean Coquelin's harsh voice was not out of

place as Brindolin.

The stage setting was very inadequate. Mlle.

Barely's ideas of chape must have been outraged

at the two shades of red hangings used in the

second act. To-night "Le Juit Polonais" will

be presented.

## One Way of Advertising a Play.

[From the Atlanta Constitution.]

There was a show here in our town the

other night, and the impertinent concern

mailed in our post-office a sealed letter to

every young man in town which said:

My Dear Sir: For a long time I have been

amazed at you. You know that I am just

waiting for you, and we must make the most of

our chances. Come this evening, and I will be

alone. How can I wait the moments will be like

you must take me to see Cora Van Tassel in the

Hidden Hall. I call you dearest even though

you and I are not the same. I am yours.

Well, that was just a sign—a pointer just

like a woman winking at a man as she passes

him on the street. It was just enough to let

our young men know that the boy was not

quite decent. It was just a little unclean to

catch flies, but it had poison in it all the same.

If there had been a rollicking married woman

in the town by the name of Grace, and her

husband was away there might have been

half a dozen boys in a scrape. One young

man told me he thought that his letter was all

right, but to save his life he couldn't stop

the married woman whose name was Grace.

## The Hawaiian Emblem of Royalty.

[Hawaii Letter to the Chicago Tribune.]

A few scraps of the magnificent feather

cases and robes that are the prerogative of

royalty in these islands will be sent to

the Paris Exhibition. Any one of these

robes has required the sacrifice of thousands

of birds, and the peculiar species required is

becoming almost extinct. The Princess

Liliuokalani has some of these birds in her

aviary. They have one, and only one, yellow

feather under each wing, and hundreds of

these feathers are required for one cape, and

thousands for a robe.

## Riker's Compound Sarsaparilla.

Is pure, vegetable. For eruptions, Drags, Head

ache, Biliousness, Constipation, etc., it will be found

perfect cure. It contains no MERCURY, POTASH or AN

ALSTIC, while its effect is quick and far more satis

factory than any other. In fact, we guarantee entire

satisfaction. It is made from the purest of herbs

and is perfectly safe. It is sold in all drug

stores, and you can be sure of getting it. Do not allow

any one to persuade you otherwise. Buy of almost all

druggists, and if they refuse to supply you, you can

be sure of getting what you ask for at the drug

store or general store, or direct from Wm. H. Riker</